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DATE: 12/11/2020

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Ashley Wimberley, Director Disclosure Division

FILER INFORMATION

Name: Mr. Jody P. Charbonnet

Address: 27418 Tag A Long Road, Lacombe, LA 70445

Office/Position: St. Tammany Parish Recreation / District #4 / St. Tammany

Dates of Service: 2017-2020

Number of Disclosures and/or Amendments Filed with Agency: 5

REPORT INFORMATION

Name of Report: Tier 2.1 Annual Personal Financial Disclosure covering calendar year 2018

Report ID: PFD18007102 Original Due Date: 5/15/2019

NOD Received: 1/7/2020 - Signed By: Kimberlee Charbonnet

PFD/Answer Due Date based on NOD:1/16/2020

PFD/Answer Filed: 5/27/2020

LATE FEE INFORMATION

Amount of Late Fee: \$1500

Days late from receipt of NOD: 132
Total days late from initial due date: 378
Late Fee Order Received: 10/9/2020

Payment/Waiver Request Due Date: 10/29/2020

Waiver Request Received: 11/2/2020

COMMENTS:

Laurie Pennison is writing a request on behalf of Mr. Jody Charbonet for the late filing of his 2018 PFD. Ms. Pennison stated that Mr. Charbonnet was appointed to the board mid-term so when he filed his 2017 financial statement in 2019, he labeled it as 2018 in error. She stated Mr. Charbonnet had no prior experience in the public sector and had never served on a Board of Commissioners before. He misunderstood his obligations regarding the filing of his annual disclosures. He was under the impression, through the board executive director, that the financial statement only needed to filed with the Lacombe Recreation District Records, which he provided to the LR District for his/their records. Mr. Charbonnet was in the midst of building a house during when COVID Pandemic started, and unfortunately he was distracted by the pandemic, loss of work, and construction to the home. He has since moved into said home which is out of the district, so he had to resign from his board. Ms. Pennison stated Mr. Charbonnet is not particularly comfortable with technology, preferring to fill out forms manually, but has been advised to complete his 2020 PFD.

Ms. Pennison stated that with the emergency declaration on Wednesday of this week, and loss of electricity to her home and office, we are asking that any delays in getting this waiver letter to the BOE be waived. Mr. Charbonnet still does not have electricity in Lacombe due to the hurricane. Mr. Charbonnet is very sorry that he failed to timely file his disclosure.

This is his first late filing and fee assessment.

State offices closed 10-27 through 10-29

OTHER LATE FEE INFORMATION

Disclosure Statements:

Other Outstanding Statements: No

Other Outstanding Late Fees: No

• Prior Late Fees: No

Reassessed Late Fees: No

Campaign Finance:

Outstanding Late Fees: No

Prior Late Fees: No



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Members of the Ethics Board:

My name is Jordan Johnson and I am currently the Executive Director of St. Tammany Recreation District 4 in Lacombe, Louisiana. I am reaching out to you on behalf of Jody Charbonnet in reference to the 2018 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement. I asked the representative to double check the other board members when I was informed of a board member being notified about a letter in the mail from your office.

Jody was recently added to our board over the last few years. He has made it a point to fill out any and all paperwork that was needed in order to be in good standings. When he first received the letter in the mail, he called me immediately and I reached out to the office and sent in the paperwork for the year requested, which was 2018. The actions I just shared illustrates that we both wanted to resolve this as quickly as possible and in no way, shape, or form ignored this request. We both were under the impression that it was properly handled until recently when we were both made aware of his status.

I am writing you all this formal request for the late fee to be waived based on the information I have just shared with you. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (985) 882-7782 or director@lacomberec.com if you should have any concerns, questions, or want to make any commnets.

Respectfully,

Jordan Johnson

Executive Director